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LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

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**ROTARY:
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DIFFERENCE**

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SPEAKERS AND EVENTS



MARCH 2018 - SPEAKER

16..... Tony Alessandra
Successful Employee Selection & Development

23..... Rajesh Gupta
Professor of Data Sciences, UCSD

30..... Maddie Hamann
An Insider's View of COP23

APRIL 2018 - SPEAKER

06..... Liana Chaouli
You Love the Outfit... But Does It Love You?



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COMMUNITY SERVICE

Former and/or present member, Board of Directors for Charities such as: The Coming Together Foundation; Army-Navy Academy; ANA Alumni Association and Sharp Healthcare Foundation.

PERSONAL

Joseph has structured his practice to allow him and his wife Antonietta to enjoy time with their family and to be active in their community.





MARCH 2018
09..... Erik Mjoen
16..... David Tansey
23..... Pete Griffith
30..... Linda Stouffer

REPORT

from the last meeting



THE **FOUR WAY TEST**



**OF THE THINGS WE
THINK, SAY OR DO**

01 IS IT THE TRUTH?

02 IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?

03 WILL IT BUILD GOODWILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

04 WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED?

President Alex called our meeting to order at the Marriott at 7:30 am. Alex also introduced the Rotarian of the Day, himself, and opened the meeting with the pledge and prayers. He recited the Seven F's. The Seven F's are a philosophy on living a high quality of life: Family, Firm, Fitness, Finance, Faith, Friends and Fun. We all need a life balance and this will help you enjoy life to its fullest. **President Alex** then stated we had a nominee for our president elect-elect to vote on. **Kim Schafer** was nominated and the vote was seconded and the club voted all AYES's and carried. We look forward to the upcoming years with **Rick Binder** then **Kim Schafer** at the helm.

Michael Slentz introduced our visiting Rotarians, Rotaracts and guests. Parks and Rec coordinator, Carmen Espinoza, who has been working with Parks and Rec for 35 years, was in attendance. Carmen is responsible for the oversight at Noble Park where we have our Quintessential Festival every year.

Announcements:

Dr. Antonio Grillo Lopez spoke about the differences between the Rotary International Foundation and our own foundation. The Rotary International Foundation

has a 4 star rating by Charity Navigator.org a watchdog organization that evaluates charity effectiveness.

Volunteer opportunity at the upcoming La Jolla Concours de Elegance sponsored by the La Jolla Historical Society at <https://www.lajollaconcours.com/>.

Rick Clark announced our upcoming Operation Camp Pendleton project and asked for more painters to assist us with transforming these offices with 12,000 sf into something the Marines can be proud of.

Rick Binder announced the upcoming Road Rally and the District Training meeting required for all red badges on March 24th. **Jim Davies** mentioned that the Quintessential Festival sponsorships are down \$17,000 from last year...please forward the underwriting package to your insurance provider, business associates, vendors or local businesses to secure our underwriting....currently we have 17 breweries and 5 wineries. Looking to be our biggest and best ever festival! **Allan Galgut** mentioned volunteers are needed for the VA Dinner next week on March 7th. **Brett Morey** mentioned the upcoming "Learn to Surf Event" hosted by the Surfers Unite Rotarian Fellowship on a hopefully dry Saturday morning at Powerhouse

park. **Ellen Bryson** noted that the Door of Hope needed volunteers for the Easter baskets on March 16th. Bunnies to assemble 96 baskets.

Speaker:

Marty Rosenstein introduced our speaker and former retired member **Stanley Faer**. Stanley works with the UC San Diego Chancellors Community Advisory board granting scholarships to several transformative schools such as Preuss, Lincoln and Gompers. Their goal is to give 8 million in scholarships to the future leaders of tomorrow.

President Alex presented our speaker the proverbial quotes and the coffee cup and turned the meeting over to the fine master **Rich Papike** and his sidekick **Denny Jacobs**. A few high \$5 were noted: **Brett** for surviving the Limestone mines of Kentucky. A fine was levied on high heels (\$1. Per inch) by **Cynthia Villis**...a very bad precedent in my opinion. Also fined: **Susan Schwarz** for some typos as reporter and **Gary Kachkovsky** for looking too much like **Elon Musk**.

President Alex concluded the meeting after a few Oscar trivia questions. **Go out and make a difference!**





PHOTOS

from the last meeting



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 16.....Steve Balch

ROTARIAN
 OF THE DAY

SANDI RIMER
 was born and raised in a suburb of Los Angeles CA before there was smog and too much traffic. There were, however, phones and mechanized vehicles.

Her family had a mother and father, a sister, a dog and a parakeet. The mother sewed, the father fished, the sister was a pain in the neck. The dog was more obedient than all of them. The bird was pretty useless.

There were camping trips where grizzly bears took bites out of Ivory soap bars and drug the ice chest down the hill. The symphony was a big deal and the solo trips to the public library with two bus transfers were a big hit. You could only take out 5 books at a time so the weekly visits were pretty strenuous.

A fond but early memory was a trip to the Mid-west with the maternal grandparents to visit/meet lots of aunts/uncles/cousins. She got to see an egg fry on the sidewalk in Pearland TX, walk through the mud (?) in a barnyard in Chetopa KS, and chase fireflies in Kansas City KS.

Sandi either sat in the front row in class so she could learn a lot or in the back row when she wasn't interested. Back row seats were very close to the class bookshelf. It's easy to read a book on history when the lesson is on something else if you sit at the back.

Sandi has always had a fondness for parades: in the drill team, part of Miss Pomona court, mimosa drinker at the Rose Parade, as District Governor.

Above average in height was always a good thing: Sandi was able to get into places she probably shouldn't have at a very young age. And it was fun to hang out with the basketball team as statistician, first in high school and then in college. Or in the back row with the boys when it came time for class photos.

Engineering school at USC and Cal Tech were options but Cal Poly Pomona became a good third choice—1000 students in the engineering school but only 6 of them were girls. Being the only girl in a class of 125 boys was a bit distracting, however.

A 3-year stint in Kansas proved enough and back to CA she came. And then, almost immediately, set out for 9 weeks in Europe with her 7-week old son. Many tales of photography, architecture, diaper changing at architectural landmarks.

Son Jon lives in Los Angeles, manages an Hermes of Paris store in Beverly Hills, and lets Sandi baby-sit for his dogs once in a while.

The Rotary Bug bit Sandi in 1988 and it's been a fun ride ever since: newsletter editor, Club Service Chair, Club President (95-96), many District-level jobs, District Governor (2004-05), Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Award, fund raiser for 1000 Smiles.

Real estate broker since July 1979, Coldwell Banker owner until 2008, now enjoying the stress-less life of a sales associate that is part of the compliance team at Pacific Sotheby's International Realty.

